



Commissioner Vincent Perez

Commissioner Vince Perez is the representative for Precinct 3 in the County of El Paso and was sworn into office January 2013.

As Commissioner, he represents more than 200,000 residents in the cities of El Paso, Socorro, Horizon, San Elizario and 95 percent of the County's unincorporated communities, including Fabens, Tornillo, Montana Vista, Agua Dulce, Sparks, and several municipal utility districts.

The Commissioner has been a vocal advocate for reforming the local criminal justice system, fighting to reduce the high costs that El Paso taxpayers pay for jailing low-income, low-risk individuals, as well as those with mental health conditions in the county jail. In 2014, the Commissioner proposed the creation of the County's first pretrial office, promoting efficient and effective use of resources in the criminal justice system.

He has also advocated for key reforms to improve accountability in the areas of budget management, and has fought to strengthen transparency and financial oversight over all elected and non-elected departments in El Paso County's government. As the representative for much of the County's unincorporated areas, he has fought for improvements to county parks, public transit, new road, water and waste water infrastructure, and increased access to health care in the most impoverished and fastest growing areas of the County.

In July 2016, Commissioner Perez was named the National County Leader of the Year by American City & County Magazine, the first El Pasoan and first Texas County Commissioner to receive the award, for his work on critical criminal justice reform. The Commissioner earned his undergraduate degree from the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University and his graduate degree in Government from the Georgetown University Graduate School of Arts and Sciences. He is happily married to his wife, Claudia, who shares his passion and dedication for public service.